

## **MINUTES**

### **MONTANA SENATE 58th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

#### **COMMITTEE ON TAXATION**

**Call to Order:** By **CHAIRMAN BOB DEPRATU**, on March 24, 2003 at 8:02 A.M., in Room 405 Capitol.

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Sen. Bob DePratu, Chairman (R)  
Sen. Bob Story Jr., Vice Chairman (R)  
Sen. Jerry W. Black (R)  
Sen. John C. Bohlinger (R)  
Sen. Jon Ellingson (D)  
Sen. Bill Glaser (R)  
Sen. Dan Harrington (D)  
Sen. Walter McNutt (R)  
Sen. Mike Taylor (R)  
Sen. Ken Toole (D)

**Members Excused:** Sen. Jim Elliott (D)

**Members Absent:** None.

**Staff Present:** Lee Heiman, Legislative Branch  
Shirley Herrin, Committee Secretary

**Video-taped Committee:** These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. A video-taped recording of the meeting is available from the Montana Historical Society.

**Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing & Date Posted: None  
Executive Action: HB 642

8:04 **CHAIRMAN DEPRATU** noted the committee needed further information or amendments on HB 478, HB 517 and SB 462 and would postpone executive action until that information or those amendments were made available to the committee.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 642**

8:04 Lee Heiman passed out amendment HB064201.alh  
**EXHIBIT (tas62a01)** and amendments HB064202.alh  
**EXHIBIT (tas62a02)**.

8:09 **Motion:** SEN. MCNUTT moved that HB 642 BE AMENDED.

**Discussion:**

8:09 **SEN. WALT MCNUTT** moved the amendment. Lee Heiman explained the amendment. He noted that items 1,2,4 and 5 had already been passed by the committee. **SEN. BILL GLASER** moved to segregate item number 3, motion carried. The motion on amendment number 3 carried unanimously.

8:15 Lee Heiman then addressed amendments HB064202.alh.  
**SEN. KEN TOOLE** moved the amendment.

**Discussion:**

8:18 **SEN. JON ELLINGSON** moved to segregate items number 2 and number 4.  
**SEN. RON DEVLIN**, sponsor of HB 642 addressed the issue.

8:26 **Vote:** Motion to segregate items number 2 and number 4 failed 4-7 with **BLACK, BOHLINGER, DEPRATU, GLASER, MCNUTT, STORY, and TAYLOR** voting no. **ELLIOTT** voted by proxy.

**Discussion:**

8:29 The committee discussed items 1,3,5,6 and 7. Lee Heiman addressed the amendments.

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**Motion/Vote:** SEN. TOOLE'S motion that HB 642 BE AMENDED SB064202.alh failed 4-7 with **BLACK, BOHLINGER, DEPRATU, GLASER, MCNUTT, STORY, and TAYLOR** voting no.

8:32 **Motion/Vote:** SEN. STORY moved that HB 642 DO PASS AS AMENDED. Motion carried 7-4 with **ELLINGSON, HARRINGTON, and TOOLE** voting no. **ELLIOTT** voted no by proxy.

**CHAIRMAN DEPRATU** they will do executive action on SB 478, HB 517 and SB 416 on Tuesday, March 25th if they have the needed information and amendments. He then announced taxation sub-committees will meet upon adjournment.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 8:40 A.M.

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SEN. BOB DEPRATU, Chairman

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SHIRLEY HERRIN, Secretary

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**EXHIBIT (tas62aad)**